TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2274 - SB 2317

February 12, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a seller of residential real property, excluding property transferred pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann § 66-5-209, to disclose in writing to a buyer, whether a radon test has occurred on the property; the most current records and reports pertaining to radon concentrations within the dwelling; a description of any radon concentrations, mitigation, or remediation in the dwelling; a radon warning statement; and any information known to the seller regarding the presence of radon in the dwelling prior to entering into a contract with a buyer. Specifies the language that is required to be included in a radon warning statement.

Authorizes a seller of residential real property to satisfy the radon disclosure requirement by providing a written discloser to a licensed real estate broker or affiliate broker representing or assisting a prospective buyer. Requires the broker or affiliate broker to provide a copy of the discloser to the prospective buyer.

States that the buyer of real residential property is entitled to any remedy pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 66-5-208 (remedies for misrepresentation or nondisclosure), if the seller makes a material misrepresentation to the buyer regarding the disclosure of radon.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Requiring residential real property owners selling property to disclose radon information will not impact state government.
- Any fiscal impact resulting from this bill will occur between the private parties engaged in the transfer of residential property.
- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, any increase in claims resulting from a material misrepresentation by owners on the disclosure of radon can be absorbed within existing resources.
- Any fiscal impact on local government is considered not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGINFICANT

Assumption:

• Requiring residential real property owners selling property to disclose radon information will not impact commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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